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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-30 (Cancelled)

31. (NEW) A guide device for guiding an adjuster element on an adjuster device for motor vehicles, comprising

- a guide track, along which the adjuster element can be moved,
- a guide section of the adjuster element, via which the adjuster element is guided in the guide track, and
- locking means for locking the guide section in the guide track in at least two mutually spaced adjustment positions,

wherein the locking means comprise a movably mounted locking element having at least two mutually spaced locking sections, and in that the locking element can be brought into a locking position in which it, with one locking section, can block the guide section in a first adjustment position and, with the other locking section, can block the guide section in a second adjustment position.

32. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the locking element can be moved to and fro between a release position and a locking position, wherein, in the release position, it permits a movement of the guide section in the guide track and, in the locking position, blocks the guide section in the guide track in its respective adjustment position.

33. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31 or 32, wherein the locking element is formed by a pivotably mounted locking lever.

34. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31 or 32, wherein the locking element is formed by a locking part which is mounted in a longitudinally displaceable manner.

35. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the locking element is elastically pretensioned in the direction of the locking position.
36. (NEW) The guide device of claim 32, wherein the locking element can be brought into the release position counter to the action of the elastic pretensioning.
37. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein to the locking element there is assigned a secondary locking element, with which the locking element can be detained in the locking position.
38. (NEW) The guide device of claim 37, wherein the secondary locking element is elastically pretensioned in the direction of a position in which it detains the locking element in the locking position.
39. (NEW) The guide device of claim 38, wherein the secondary locking element can be moved counter to the elastic pretensioning out of the position in which it detains the locking element in the locking position.
40. (NEW) The guide device of claim 37, wherein the secondary locking element is coupled to the locking element in such a way that, through movement of the secondary locking element out of the position in which it detains the locking element, the locking element is brought into the release position.
41. (NEW) The guide device of claim 37, wherein the secondary locking element cooperates with the locking element via a link guide.
42. (NEW) The guide device of claim 41, wherein for the tolerance equalization with respect to the subassemblies involved in the locking of the guide section and for the play-free locking of the guide section, the secondary locking element is engaged with the locking element in the locking position in a play-bound manner.

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43. (NEW) The guide device of claim 37, wherein the secondary locking element is formed by a pivotably mounted locking lever.
44. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the locking element is arranged in such a way that, at least in the locking position, the weight force acting upon the locking acts in the direction of a maintenance of the locking position.
45. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the guide track is formed by a guide link.
46. (NEW) The guide device of claim 45, wherein the guide section of the adjuster element is formed by a guide pin which engages in the guide link.
47. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the two adjustment positions are formed by two end positions of the guide section in the guide track.
48. (NEW) The guide device of claim 45, wherein in each of the two adjustment positions the guide section is clamped between a lateral rim of the guide link and a locking section of the locking element.
49. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the guide section, in each of the adjustment positions, respectively acts upon the assigned locking section of the locking element in such a way that the locking element tends to remain in the locking position.
50. (NEW) The guide device of claim 38, wherein the locking section is configured as an eccentric.
51. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein two locking sections of the locking element are formed by lateral end sections of the locking element.

52. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the locking element has at least three locking sections, which serve to lock the guide section of the adjuster element in a respective adjustment position.
53. (NEW) The guide device of claim 52, wherein at least one locking section is formed by a recess in the locking element.
54. (NEW) The guide device of claim 53, wherein the recess forming the locking section has a tapered region for the play-free reception of the guide section.
55. (NEW) The guide device of claim 52, wherein one adjustment position corresponds to a position of the guide section between the two ends of the guide track.
56. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein the locking element has a contact contour, which, during movement of the guide section in the guide track between two adjustment positions, is supported in sliding arrangement against the guide section, so that the locking element is held in a release position in which it does not block the guide section.
57. (NEW) The guide device of claim 56, wherein the locking element automatically detains the guide section, under the action of at least one elastic element, when one of the adjustment positions is reached.
58. (NEW) The guide device of claim 31, wherein it serves to guide an adjuster element of an adjuster device for motor vehicle seats.
59. (NEW) The guide device of claim 58, wherein the adjuster device serves to adjust a seat support, a backrest or a headrest of a motor vehicle seat.
60. (NEW) A seat adjuster device for motor vehicles, comprising a seat part to be adjusted and an adjuster element for adjusting the position of the seat part, wherein a guide device as claimed in claim 31, is guided by means of the adjuster element.